

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF CENTRAL ZOO AUTHORITY

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the zoos located in different States are not following the recommendations made by the Central Zoo Authority in wake of deaths of tigers during the last years in Nandankanan; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to ask the State Zoo Authorities for strictly implementation of the recommendations?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a)&(b) As per 'Recognition of Zoo Rules, 1992' there are 51 norms and standards which are required to be complied by the zoos. The Central Zoo Authority is pursuing zoos to come upto the required standards in a time bound manner. Whenever, a zoo is found to be not complying major conditions and norms which directly effect the health and longevity of the animals, the matter is taken up at the level of Minister (Environment and Forests) who is chairman of the Central Zoo Authority, with the State Governments. If the concerned State Government does not respond, Central Zoo Authority can withdraw recognition of the zoo.